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Leadership Conference A Success

Ryan Willerton, Greek Leadership Conference Chair

On October 4, 1997, Eastern Illinois University hosted its first Greek Leadership Conference. Over 150 Greeks from almost every chapter attended the event, organized by the thirteen member Greek Leadership Conference Steering Committee. Members of the committee worked for one year to make the day-long conference a success. Their hard work paid off with the conference receiving a 94% approval rating from those in attendance.

The conference featured two educational sessions for participants to attend, a case study contest sponsored by the Order of Omega and a luncheon with featured guests and educational session presenters. Winners of the Order of Omega Case Study Contest were determined based upon their reactions to one of four different scenarios, as judged by a panel of student affairs graduate assistants and professionals. The four scenarios dealt with campus/faculty relations, community relations, Inter-Greek affairs and alcohol abuse and hazing.

The featured educational session presenters included Eastern faculty, national officers from sororities, national consultants, Eastern alumni, administrators from other colleges, and a representative from the National Interfraternity Conference (NIC).

The highlight of the conference was the keynote address by Mr. Edward M. King, a nationally renowned motivational lecturer who spoke on the topic of Ritual. Remarks from surveys included: "the keynote speaker was

extraordinary...he should be deeply commended...awesome speaker....terrific....one of the best speakers I have ever heard."

Next year's conference is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 10. Any ideas and input for improving the conference are welcomed, and can be directed toward the steering committee. The 1998 Steering Committee was recently selected, and includes the following members: Dannica Carman (Secretary), April Belva, Kristin McCrea, Herman Rogers (Educational

Sessions), Monica Sanchez, Kelly Wieczorek (Registration), Sheri Provance, Kacey Schaffrath (Financial), Sara Fergus, Jolene Zumwalt (Case Study) and Alvesté Taylor, Gretchen Clark (Publicity). The Committee is led by tri-chairs Janel Kupferschmid, Donna Walsh and Andrea Smail. The 1998 Greek Leadership Conference is sure to be a success. An overwhelming response from surveys has indicated interest in attending next year's conference. Be on the lookout for registration

materials during the spring semester and pre-register so you won't get left out in the cold!

In closing, a special thanks goes out to the 1997 Steering Committee who took the initiative to organize this worthwhile event and lay the groundwork for future conferences. Members of the committee were: Melinda Whitley, Cindy Eckerty, John Konecki, Stacey Moore, Donna Walsh, Tony Yen, Andrea Smail, Josh Reitz, Janel Kupferschmid, Laura Moore, Rebecca Marushak and Karl Aldrich.



Councils Elect New Officers

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Treasurer

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From the Editors

Once again, we bring to you the annual Greek newsletter, *Greek Column*. We tried to liven up this semester's issue with some new ideas and stories. This issue is jam packed with all the interesting, exciting and fun-filled events in which your chapters promoted and participated. It was truly a pleasure to report on one of the nation's award winning Greek communities!

-Ben & Andrea
Fall 1997 Greek Column Co-Chairs

JGC Projects Underway

Courtney Cruse, Junior Greek Council

Well, it's going to be another great year for Junior Greek Council. We have a lot in store for the upcoming semesters. We have many things already planned out for this semester. Our group plans to educate campus about AIDS during AIDS Awareness Week. The major project we are working on this semester is a clothing drive called "Clothesline Across Campus." We plan to distribute the clothing we collect to the needy throughout the area. In the beginning of December, we plan to go Christmas caroling at a local nursing home. Members of Junior Greek Council plan to participate in the blood drive scheduled for December 9th, 10th and 11th.

We have come up with a few ideas for the following semester already. The plans are already in effect for a Junior Greek Council Sandblast. The volleyball tournament is planned to raise money for

the betterment of Junior Greek Council. We also will be inviting our parents to come for a luncheon and see exactly what we have accomplished throughout the year. To help the community more, we would like to adopt a corner or student, and to maintain the highway we already have.

We also plan to help the new members with school by printing a booklet on study habits and sponsoring speaker to come talk about scholarship.

We hope our plans are very successful throughout the 1997-98 school year. We also would like to wish you a good year and we hope you all excel in many ways.



Alpha Sigma Tau Salutes Scholars

Jen Polkow, Alpha Sigma Tau

Being the busy college students that we are, we sometimes forget how important our academics are. But after all, they are the reason we are here! The Beta Pi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority has implemented academic programming that has proven to be successful.

In order to be in good standing with the sorority, members must have a 2.6 semester GPA and maintain a 2.4 cumulative GPA. We also have study hours on Monday and Tuesday in our chapter room from 7-9 p.m. to give sisters a time to specifically work on academics.

We also have a "Scholar of the Week" program which motivates everyone. Members write down A's and B's they have received during the week, and the Vice-President chooses one sister to be named "Scholar of the Week." The winner gets her name on our academic bulletin board and receives a fun prize.

Another program we utilize is a teacher evaluation file. These evaluations contain information about the class and teacher so sisters can have a better idea about classes they may be interested in taking in upcoming semesters.

Our Vice-President, Amy Kridner, implemented a new parent-scholarship program. At our parent's weekend last spring, we collected donations for a scholarship fund. A name was drawn from all the sisters who had a 4.0 GPA last semester, and the winner receives scholarship money which helped to pay her semester dues. The other scholarship was given to the sister with the most improved GPA, and she also received money to help pay her dues. The scholarship is a great incentive for us to help improve and maintain our grades.

Tri-Sigma Class Cards Indicate Enjoyment

Julia McGinness, Sigma Sigma Sigma

The ladies of Sigma Sigma Sigma uphold very high academic standards. In order to be considered a member in good standing, they need to keep up a 2.25 GPA. We hold study sessions for our new members, as well as initiated members that need help pulling up their grades. The Sigmas also have test

and note files to help out with our classes. Also, after each semester, they pass around note cards to go in the teacher file. Each member can then fill out a card about how well they enjoyed each class, teacher, and what the class consisted of, such as tests, papers, etc. All of these things help keep the Sigma's grade up.

Contracts & Recognition Keys to ΣK Success

Brittany Kinser, Sigma Kappa

Sigma Kappa's scholarship is a high priority for the Gamma Mu chapter. All members must have a 2.0 GPA for the semester and a 2.25 cumulative GPA to be considered in good academic standing. New members and women "not in good academic standing" are required to do six study hours a week in the chapter room. A member who earns a 4.0 GPA for the semester is recognized at the initiation banquet and at Sigma Kap Parent's Weekend. We offer a variety of incentive programs for studying. During

finals week, the Vice President of Scholarship will walk around the library and study lounge and hand out candy to each member studying. At the beginning of each semester, each member also signs a scholarship contract pledging that they will try to study a minimum of however many hours they feel they can do a week. Each member also writes down what their GPA goal is for the semester and those who achieve their goal receive the "Smarty Pants" award.



ACADEMICS

A-Phi's Stress A's & B's

Kelly Pilachowski & Katie Lotz, Alpha Phi

The ladies of Alpha Phi pride themselves on having high academic achievement. As scholarship chair, Jennifer Edwards has provided continued support for both pledges and actives in their strive for greater learning. Study hours are held twice a week and are mandatory for the new members. The hours are specifically set aside as a means of concentrated time used to prepare for classes and to complete school work. In addition to study hours, Edwards rewards those who are meeting or exceeding our chapter's academic goals through academic achievement certificates, an "A/B bucket," and specific

commendations. The "A/B bucket" is passed around on a weekly basis to acknowledge those members who have received either an A or B letter grade on a test the previous week. A list of all of the members' majors and minors is also available. This list notifies the girls in the house of who is a part of which academic areas of study. Through this list, students find study partners and seek assistance from older members. In every aspect, scholarship is very important to the ladies of Alpha Phi. Through these programs, education remains the first priority for all women in the house.

Study Hours Key to Alpha GAM SUCCESS

Alpha Gamma Delta

Alpha Gamma Delta has been busy trying to rise to the top in scholarship. A time management program was presented to the new members prior to the homecoming festivities. Our new members were getting bogged down, and it was just the right remedy. All of Alpha Gam attended the stress management workshop put on it September. It taught the ladies how to deal with life when it gets to be too much.

Many members have been busy incorporating study hours into their schedules. Alpha Gam's study hours are offered in many places at many times:

At the chapter house:

M W F 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
T R 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

At the library:

M 9:00 - 11:00
T R 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

At Coleman #229:

T W 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Ladies are required to attend four hours of study hall per week if they received a 2.0 - 2.5 GPA. If their GPA was below a 2.0, the ladies are required to

do six hour of study hall weekly. Our new members are busy trying to keep their GPA's up to the initiation requirement of 2.25.

The Alpha Gamma Delta scholarship room is under renovation, too. We are trying to update our files; it has been poor for years, so we are beginning to build a strong one. Last year, our house association bought the chapter a new Gateway computer with a laser printer. It is extremely nice and is used quite often by all.

There have been many academic incentives offered this semester. There is an "I did good" sheet passed around at chapter where the ladies can write down any fantastic accomplishments. The following week, the winner receives recognition in chapter meeting and a bag of candy. Alpha Gams celebrated midterms with an "Over the Hump" pizza party. The ladies with wonderful attendance at study hours received a certificate applauding them for their efforts. Businesses in town are going to be approached in the future and asked to donate a few rewards for great scholastic achievement. The chapter hopes that the incentives offered will motivate all to do their personal best. With everyone reaching their utmost potential, Alpha Gamma Delta will be on their way to excelling scholastically.



FALL 1997 FINALS SCHEDULE

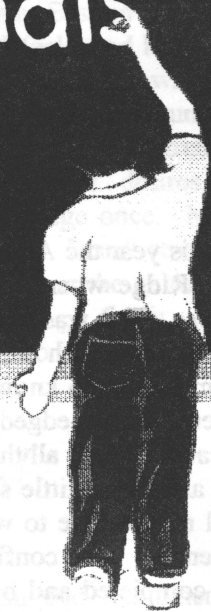
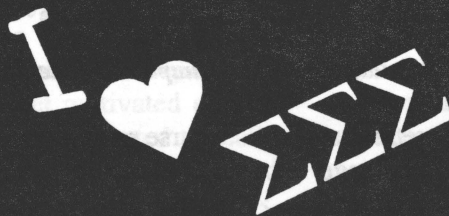
Final Time/Day	Monday 15 Dec. 97	Tuesday 16 Dec. 97	Wednesday 17 Dec. 97	Thursday 18 Dec. 97	Friday 19 Dec. 97
8:00 - 10:00	T 800 (8:00 a) makeup/arrange	T 900 (9:00a) T 930 (9:30a)	M 800 (8:00a)	M 900 (9:00a)	makeup/arrange
10:15-12:15	M 1100 (11:00a)	M1000 (10:00a)	T 1100 (11:00a)	T 1000 (10:00a) makeup/arrange	makeup/arrange
12:30 - 2:30	M 1300 (1:00p)	T 1300 (1:00p)	T 1500 (3:00p) T 1530 (3:30p) makeup/arrange	M 1400 (2:00p)	
2:45 - 4:45	T 1400 (2:00p)	M 1500 (3:00p) makeup/arrange	M 1200 (noon)	T 1200 (noon) T 1230(12:30p)	
5:15 - 7:15	M 1600 (4:00p) makeup/arrange	T 1600 (4:00p) T 1700 (5:00p) makeup/arrange	W 1600 (4:00p) makeup/arrange	R 1600 (4:00p) R 1700 (5:00p) makeup/arrange	
7:30 - 9:30	M 1800 (6:00 p) M 1900 (7:00p) makeup/arrange	T 1800 (6:00p) T 1900 (7:00p)	W 1800 (6:00p) W 1900 (7:00p) makeup/arrange	R 1800 (6:00p) R 1900 (7:00p)	

This schedule is subject to change. Please verify correct times with your professors.



Alpha Psi Chapter

Good Luck on Finals



The ladies of ΣΣΣ would like to wish everyone good luck on finals!



PRESIDENTS' CORNER

The Concept of Respect

Garrin Kay, Sigma Phi Epsilon Chapter President

At this time of the year, I have had very little time to relax and look back at what the Greek system has done, not only on this campus, but for the Charleston community, too. After a while of pondering, I have come to one conclusion. There are only a handful of chapters that understand the concept of respect.

When you sit back and look at why the Charleston community dislikes the Greek community, I almost begin to question why I am involved in the Greek community myself. When we live in an age where we hear about alcohol related deaths and hazing incidents from across the nation, the Charleston community has a pretty good reason to look down upon our community, especially when the Charleston community sees this activity happening in their own back yard. So what is our community going to do about these stereotypes?

I feel that our Greek community here at Eastern Illinois University should raise its standards even higher. This would include punishing chapters that not only break rules (rules that are written for the

betterment of ourselves), but punishing them for breaking the rules of morality.

Not only should we raise our standards, but we need to clean up our "table manners." At certain times of the year, it seems that our community seems to get fingered out. It is at these events and whenever we go into the community that we need to be on our best behavior and respect the people around us.

I do believe though, our Greek community is highly involved in community service and philanthropic events. It's just that these events are not physically seen and recognized by the public. Our community service and philanthropy projects only involve other fraternities and sororities. We need to get more involved with

churches, homeless shelters, education of youth and helping the elderly.

Respect will only happen if we teach this to our new members. In turn these new members will pass this respect down when they are leaders in their own chapters.

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-Garrin Kay

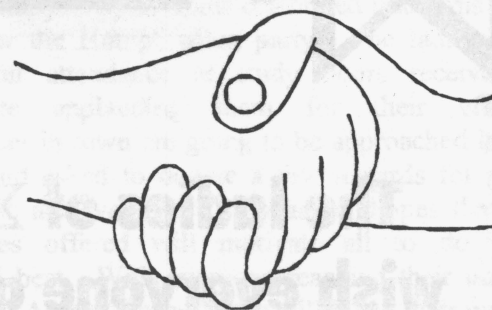
HAVING FUN & WORKING TOGETHER

Jeanne Schuld, Alpha Phi Chapter President

This year the Alpha Phi help a sisterhood retreat at Fox Ridge where we completed the team challenge course. This was a very fun day for me as a senior to spend time with the new members. As I watched them getting to know one another, it reminded me of when I first pledged. It made me excited for them because I know all they have to look forward to.

I also felt a little sad knowing I am graduating and will not be here to watch these women grow to their potential. Our confidence grew with every obstacle we completed and by the end, nothing (not even the huge snake we saw) could stop us. Completing this

course reminded me once again how much people can accomplish when they have fun and work together





Carpe Diem - Seize The Day!

Nicole Couri, Sigma Kappa Chapter President

When I attended the Greek Leadership Conference here at EIU the other day, I listened to a very wise man speak. The man was Ed King and he gave us some advice. "Carpe diem," or "Seize the day!", he said. The more I reflected on his words of wisdom, the more I want to share with you, the Greek community the importance of this message.

Being a Greek at Eastern says a lot about who you are. You are a wise individual that took a risk, pledged yourself and your life to something you knew absolutely nothing about. Obviously, now you realize what a wise choice you made or you wouldn't still be here reading this article. But what advantages does Greek life have? Is it having a home away from home, a place where you know your true friends, sisters and brothers will always be? Being a Greek gives you the opportunity to be a leader and do anything you want.

My first year at Eastern I joined a sorority and just kind of sat back and did nothing. My grades weren't the best they could be because most of the time I just laid around and did nothing. Why get up and walk all the way to Old Main for one class when I have nowhere else to go today? Yeah. . . I'll just skip today! I just couldn't seem to get motivated enough to do it again. But, when my grades started to really slip, I decided to make a change. I ran for Panhel and found more friends, women from different chapters. This made me want to do more, so I joined one thing right after another. Currently I serve on seven

executive boards and have never had such good grades. How? Why? You might ask. It's called time management. Being involved gives you a skill that is necessary to achieve in everyday life. Being involved helps you focus on everything you do. You don't have a choice to do otherwise. For many people I talk

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-Nicole Couri

to, getting involved in the Greek system has not only helped their social skills, but has helped them as a person. Once you have leadership in one area, you can use this as a stepping stone to get involved in the campus and community. Some people aren't born to be leaders, it's not something they want to do or have a desire for. If you are one of these people, be a good follower. There are so many people I know that are excellent followers. You know the ones I'm talking about. The people who are always there to lend a helping hand. They make or break a group. Without wonderful followers the leaders could go

nowhere.

As I look back on my years at Eastern I smile. Yes, many days are stressful, but I feel good knowing that I helped in our Greek community. I just want to give back to this community the endless opportunities and joys it has given me. You possess all the strength you need to do whatever your heart desires. Just remember, you only attend college once. Make the most of it and do what you can. I can't stress to you enough the opportunities that lie in the palms of your hands. All you have to do is go for it, you have nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Embrace Your National Officers!

Jenny Uphoff, Alpha Sigma Tau Chapter President

This semester, the women of Alpha Sigma Tau have been very productive. During the Greek Leadership Conference, Alpha Sigma Tau was represented by two of our national staff members: Mrs. Cynthia Eason-Manning and Mrs. Ricki Trosen. This was a wonderful weekend for our national staff to meet the

women of Alpha Sigma Tau and the other Greek leaders here at Eastern. Having national officers visit gives us all a renewed sense of pride and motivation. I urge every chapter to invite your national officers for a visit to campus to see how great your chapters really are!



PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Success of Others Should Not be Overlooked

Amie Torbert, Delta Zeta Chapter President

The New York Company made a detailed study of telephone conversations to find out which word was most frequently used. The answer was quite obvious, yet appalling to me. The personal pronoun "I" was the most frequently used word. It was used 3,900 times in 500 telephone conversations.

When looking at a photograph, where do you focus your attention? To yourself, of course! Why do you focus attention to your chapter first? What does this say about human nature? The bottom line is that people are genuinely concerned about themselves. A famous old Roman poet, Publilius Syrus stated, "We are interested in others when they are interested in us." Although difficult to admit, this is true of every human being.

How can this information benefit the Greek system, you might ask. I believe this bit of information may open the eyes of everyone, whether they belong to the Greek community, an organization or a group of friends. Anyone who deals with people, which is everyone, should take the time to be genuinely interested in other people.

This can easily relate to the Greek community. In our community, the most commonly used words are

*"Take the time to be
genuinely interested in
other people."*

-Amie Torbert

our own Greek letters. When you are thumbing through this publication, Greek Week booklet, etc. which page do you turn to? Your own chapter, of course. This is human nature, yet is also the basis of the competition that is an unappealing characteristic of the Greek community. The principle that is essential in human interaction is the same for the Greek community. Each chapter must take a genuine interest in the others to build a strong community.

We must respect each chapter's success and aspirations, as well as our own. Rather than resenting the successes of chapters other than our own, we must appreciate the fact that these successes build the successful Greek system that Eastern Illinois is so proud of.

Fox Ridge Builds Unity

Michelle Huffman, Alpha Sigma Alpha

Within social organizations, such as the Greek community, there is need for unification. In order to be unified on campus, each individual chapter needs to be brought together. In order to be unified as a Greek community, each chapter must be internally strong. Some of the people in houses do not even know the names of those with whom they call brothers and sisters.

There are many ways to improve the unification of Greek life. One suggestion would be a sisterhood/brotherhood event at Fox Ridge State Park. The use of Fox Ridge would be very inexpensive and

possibly cost-free. The location is very close, which makes this idea cost efficient. There is an obstacle at Fox Ridge which is available for groups lead by a facilitator. The obstacles presented are to be solved by working as a group. Through using teamwork, the groups will get to know one another and learn to function as a group rather than individuals. Some of the obstacles will build trust between the participants; they are helping one another. After a day at Fox Ridge, the group will come back knowing more about their brothers or sisters and they will take home the experience of working as a group.

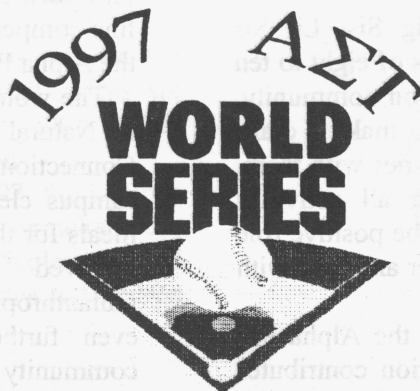
Taus Continue Success

Jen Polkow, Alpha Sigma Tau

The women of Alpha Sigma Tau have participated in many exciting activities this fall semester. We kicked things off with our annual World Series softball tournament. We had a great time cheering on all the teams and an even better time at the function for our winners, the men of Sigma Phi Epsilon and the Big Hurt. We thank all the fraternities who participated in our World Series and our co-chairs, Patty Alpeter and Jill Fieldman, for doing such a great job.

Next, two of our national officers paid a visit to the Beta Pi chapter. Cindy Eason-Manning, our District President and Ricki Trosen, Director of Collegiate Chapters, met each member to discuss chapter development and the aspects of our sorority.

The women of Alpha Sigma Tau have also been busy keeping Charleston clean. We participated in a campus clean-up where we picked up trash around campus to help beautify Eastern before family weekend. Along with the campus clean-up, we also continue to keep our adopt-a-highway clean. Groups of sisters take turns picking up trash from the highway in those snazzy orange jackets!



Of course, we can't forget Homecoming. Our co-chairs Marcia Hillary and Jane Harris did a wonderful job with all the planning for homecoming. We also enjoyed participating with the men of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Whether we were pumping, playing fun games or trying to remember how our Yell Like Hell song went, we had an awesome time!

We also enjoyed visiting with our alumnae over homecoming weekend. It was great seeing recent graduates and hearing about their new jobs, but we also enjoyed looking at old pictures and sharing funny stories with some of our older alumnae. Our alumnae liaison, Simone Gash, did a great job planning the luncheon. The weekend was a good time had by all!

Finally, our formal chairs Kris Glover and Nicole Cordin are busy planning a memorable formal for us this semester. At our Yellow Rose

Formal, we will honor our new sweetheart, but we will never forget all the wonderful things our old "sweety" Aaron Anderson of Sigma Pi, did for us.

We would like to wish everyone the best of luck on their finals!

Delts Stay Busy With Projects

Jake Josias, Delta Tau Delta Chapter President

The men of Delta Tau Delta have experienced much success in the past academic year. We won Homecoming and were also honored with the naming of a Delt, Jeff Zilch, as homecoming king. Last spring, we won Greek Week for the first time in our history and another Delt, Lou Montana, was named Greek Week King. We are looking forward to participating in all the Greek events this year and wish everyone good luck.

We are also experiencing several improvements this fall to our shelters on 9th street, including new interior and exterior painting, along with window and door replacements.

We have also recently recruited an outstanding new pledge class and look forward to continued success in rush. We are looking forward to sponsoring several new fundraising and community service projects this year, such as our new designated driver program, a Delt alcohol seminar in November, our sorority volleyball tournament (Delt Dig-it), as well as an adopt-a-school program, Delt car wash and bowling for cancer fundraising event. Delta Tau Delta would like to wish all sororities and fraternities good luck and continued success in the university and the community through leading by example. Delta Tau Delta- Taste, Class, Pride.



CHAPTER REPORTS

Alpha Phi Donates Time & Money

Stacey Larson, Community Service and Philanthropy Chair

The Zeta Alpha chapter of Alpha Phi takes great pride in its involvement in community service. We understand that we are essentially here to serve the community on a local level as well as on a national level. This past year we have continued participating in our traditional community service projects as well as becoming actively involved in some additional services to the community.

Our local philanthropy is the Big Sis/ Lil Sis program. Each month we are the hosts of eight to ten energetic little girls from the Charleston community. We invite these adorable girls over to make a craft, have a treat with them, and to play games with them. There is usually a theme to which all activities correlate to. It's a great time for us to be positive role models to the little girls that come over and visit with us.

On the national level, we support the Alpha Phi Foundation. The Alpha Phi Foundation contributes

money to Cardiac Care, the Forget-Me-Not foundation, and to Alpha Phi sisters that are in serious need of medical care. We give money to this organization through the proceeds we make during our annual PHI-Esta Bowl. This is a flag football tournament amongst Eastern's fraternity men. This is a fun and entertaining time for the fraternity men to play each other in flag football and compete in a kick line competition all in the name of raising money for the Alpha Phi foundation.

The women of Alpha Phi have also been involved in Natural Ties, Take Back the Night, The Haiti Connection's Walk for Unity, Kid's Olympics, campus clean-ups, recycling programs, and serving meals for the elderly. It is also important to us to be involved in other sororities and fraternities philanthropies. We want to expand our programs even further to make our contributions to the community even greater.

Gams Strive for Jewel Status Through Service

Alpha Gamma Delta

The ladies of Alpha Gamma Delta worked hard during the first weeks of October to raise money for our annual philanthropy. Starting at noon on October 8th, we began our twenty-four-hour teeter-totter-a-thon to raise money for the Alpha Gamma Delta American Diabetes Foundation. We teeter-tottered until noon on October 9th through rain and shine, daylight and the wee hours of the morning. We had a blast knowing we were helping such a beneficial cause.

Next semester, the Alpha Gams will be sponsoring the first Alpha Gam Rosebowl. We will be recruiting teams of fraternity members to participate in this philanthropic event. It will be a fun way for our members to get to know Eastern's fraternity men better.

All of our hard work will hopefully pay off with once again being named a Jewel Chapter by Alpha Gamma Delta International Office. Our goal this year is to contribute more than 3,000 dollars for this great cause.

